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PATENT APPLICATION

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TITLE:

Stateful Business-to-Business

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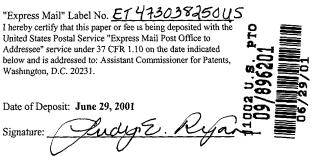
Enclosed are the following papers relating to the above-named application for patent:

Application - 20 pages of Specification, 5 pages of Claims and 1 page of Abstract 11 Sheets of informal drawing(s)

Declaration and Power of Attorney (unexecuted)

CLAIMS AS FILED				
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Total Claims	24-20 =	4	x \$18 =	\$72
Independent Claims	4-3 =	1	x \$80 =	\$80
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if applicable			\$270 =	\$0
Basic Fee				\$710
			TOTAL FEE:	\$862

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